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**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION (RCA)**

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**DEPARTMENT:** Community and Human Development  
**AGENDA DATE:** January 18, 2005  
**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Robert A Salinas/541-4643  
**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All

**SUBJECT:**

**APPROVE** a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? **OR AUTHORIZE** the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

City Council is asked to commit up to \$1.2 million to support public infrastructure improvements required at the Housing Authority of the City of El Paso's (HACEP's) Alamito Complex HOPE VI Revitalization grant. The City's commitment is solely contingent upon HACEP successfully receiving a 2005 HOPE VI Revitalization grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Alamito Complex. The \$1.2 million would be utilized during the grant implementation period of 2005 to 2009.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

**Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?**

HACEP is applying for a 2005 HOPE VI Revitalization grant from HUD for complete renovation of its Alamito Complex, located at 508 S. Virginia Street. The HUD Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) specifically requires HACEP to provide commitment documentation (such as City Council resolution) as proof of other financial resources pledged.

The City of El Paso's funds will be used exclusively for infrastructure improvements during the four-year grant implementation period, running from 2005 through 2009, to revitalize the Alamito Complex. The commitment of the funds are contingent on HACEP receiving the HOPE VI Grant award.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

**Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?**

No.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

**How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?**

Funds, not to exceed \$750,000, will be available for this project in future CDBG fiscal years subject to the approval of the HACEP HOPE VI grant

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

**Enter appropriate comments or N/A**

Not applicable.

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**LEGAL:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_ **FINANCE:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

*R. Salinas*

(Example: if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)  
*Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager*

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

**CITY MANAGER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **A RESOLUTION**

**By**

### **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS**

**WHEREAS**, the Housing Authority of the City of El Paso, Texas ("HACEP") has determined that it will pursue a HOPE VI Revitalization grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") in 2005 for the redevelopment of the Alamito Complex; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant, if received, would provide \$20 million dollars in federal funds for the revitalization as well as leveraging an estimated additional \$30 million dollars in private investment in the neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, a critical component for achieving a threshold score for 2005 grant applications is leveraging local government funds to support the HOPE VI redevelopment project; and

**WHEREAS**, the HUD Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") for the 2005 grant award "strongly" urges potential grantees to seek a pledge of Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds or other municipal funds for improvements to public infrastructure to support the redevelopment; and

**WHEREAS**, the budget estimate developed as part of the HOPE VI revitalization plan for the Alamito Complex indicates that approximately \$1.2 million in funding will be required for public infrastructure improvements during the four-year grant implementation period, approximately from 2005 through 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the NOFA specifically requires that all financial resources pledged to support the HOPE VI application must be evidenced by a "commitment document, such as a ...city council resolution or other evidence of the resource to be committed," and goes further to require that "the commitment cannot be conditioned on anything other than the receipt of the HOPE VI grant";

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of El Paso that the City will pledge a commitment of funds in the amount of \$1.2 million to support public infrastructure improvements for the Alamito Complex HOPE VI revitalization during the four-year grant implementation period, approximately from 2005 through 2009;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that pursuant to a Cooperation Agreement between the City of El Paso and HACEP dated July 13, 1972 and amended on October 3, 1978, the City has for many years agreed by Resolution to waive all of its portion of payment in lieu of taxes from HACEP to allow HACEP to direct such monies to assist in funding the Y.W.C.A. for childcare services in public housing complexes, such as the Alamito Complex;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that pursuant to the Cooperation Agreement between the City of El Paso and HACEP dated July 13, 1972 and thereafter amended, the City may vacate streets within the area of a project and convey to HACEP without charge such interest as the City may have in the vacated area;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City's commitment of funds hereunder is contingent only upon the receipt of the \$20 million HOPE VI Revitalization grant from HUD.

**ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2005.**

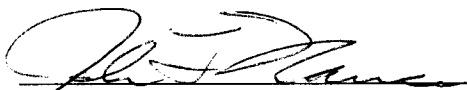
THE CITY OF EL PASO:

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Joe Wardy  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
John F. Nance  
Deputy City Attorney